



June 2008 - Lt. Governor Becky Skillman traveled the state to survey the damage cause by some of the worst storms in Indiana's history, from tornadoes to flooding.





Governor Mitch Daniels and Lt. Governor Skillman met with Major General Umbarger and members of Indiana's National Guard while visiting Camp Atterbury on June 5, following tornadoes there.



Lt. Governor Skillman surveyed the tornado's destructive path by air before walking through the hardest hit areas to meet with residents.





Lt. Governor Skillman talks with a Moscow resident whose home was damaged by the tornado.



The tornado caused extensive damage to homes, property, businesses and farms.



Lt. Governor Skillman greets some Amish children who joined their parents in helping their neighbors clean up after the storm.



Lt. Governor Skillman and Major General Umbarger talk with an Edinburgh resident in her backyard.



The tornado caused damages to much of the area's infrastructure, including an historic covered bridge in Moscow.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BECKY SKILLMAN



Lt. Governor Skillman and Representative Milo Smith talk with Edinburg residents affected by the tornado who were working to clean up the damage left by the storm.



Cleanup by the National Guard, other government agencies, and volunteer organizations began soon after the tornado tore through the area.



Lt. Governor Skillman surveyed flooded areas by air.



Flood waters were vast and blanketed farmland, residential areas, and everything in between.



Lt. Governor Skillman talks to a Hoosier in the Mariah Foods warehouse in Columbus. Flooding in the warehouse caused \$5 million in damages to goods.



Sandbagging helped to prevent flooding in many cities and towns across Indiana.

A massive sandbagging effort by Marines and the Indiana National Guard saved the town of Elnora in southwest Indiana from the White River.





Lt. Governor Skillman talks to volunteers in Elnora who worked tirelessly to save the town from rising flood waters.



Many residential neighborhoods in Jackson County did not escape the flood.



Lt. Governor Skillman tours a damaged government building in Johnson County. The debris left by the flood waters marks the level to which the water rose. Three government buildings were damaged, including the county's courthouse.



Lt. Governor Skillman talks to farmers from the Facemire Farm in Edinburgh.



Flood waters are to blame for erosion in many farmers' fields, including Jim Facemire's cornfield.



Lt. Governor Skillman surveyed the erosion at the Facemire Farm. Farmers are dealing with debris in their fields as well as erosion.



Lt. Governor Skillman talks to employees of the Kelsay Dairy farm about the damage their operation sustained.



Many Hoosiers have a long road ahead of them as they begin to recover and clean up after Indiana was hit by some of the worst storms in state history.



As of June 17th, 30 counties have been approved for federal assistance. The state is also doing there part. For more information on assistance, please visit EMERGENCY.IN.gov



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